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AMENDMENTS

Kindly amend the application, without prejudice, as follows:

In the Title

Please delete the word "Preferred" and insert in its place the word --Improved--.

In the Specification

At page 8, line 1, please delete the words "base 601" and insert in its place -- holder 606--.

At page 8, line 1, please insert the word --601-- after the word "offset".

At page 8, line 2, please insert the word --605-- after the word "base".

At page 8, line 5, please insert the word --603-- after the word "offset", and delete the word "603" following the word "base" and insert in its place the word --605--.

At page 8, line 6, please delete the phrase "lamp holder" and insert in its place --lamp assembly holder 607--.

In the Claims:

Cancel claim 10 and amend claims 1, 3, 9, 14, 19, 20, 22, 24, 25 and 28 as follows:

1. (Amended) A light string comprising:

[a plurality] a predetermined number of light emitting diodes "LEDs" electrically coupled in series to form at least one series block, the series block having a first LED and a last LED, the first LED directly coupled intermediate a source end and a terminal end of a first of a pair of wires and the last LED directly coupled intermediate the source end and terminal end of a second of the pair of wires, [each series block being electrically coupled in parallel between each of a pair of wires having a source end and a terminal end, intermediate the source end and the terminal end,] and

a first connector [electrically connected at] coupled to both the source end of the first of the pair of wires and the source end of the second of the pair of wires which connector is adapted for direct electrical connection to an alternating current electrical power supply.